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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Motoyuki Ohtake et al.

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For: ZOOM LENS AND IMAGE-PICKUP  
APPARATUS

Examiner: D. J. Collins

**COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant has received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the Notices of Allowance and Allowability of November 4, 2009, in connection with the above-identified application. The Examiner therein provided a Statement of Reasons for Allowance regarding the claims.

In that regard, Applicant does not acquiesce to any inference or presumption that may be drawn from the Examiner's stated reasoning, and the issuance of the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be construed as surrender by Applicant of any subject matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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